

# HOUSE BILL No. 5779

July 18, 2012, Introduced by Reps. Hovey-Wright, Cavanagh, Smiley, Brunner, McCann,  
Durhal, Heise, Haugh and Meadows and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1905 PA 299, entitled

"An act to provide for changing and determining the names of  
divorced women,"

by amending the title and section 1 (MCL 552.391).

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

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### TITLE

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An act to provide for changing and determining the names of  
divorced ~~women~~ **INDIVIDUALS**.

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Sec. 1. ~~The circuit courts of this state, whenever a decree IN~~  
**A JUDGMENT** of divorce, ~~is granted, A COURT~~ may, at the instance of  
~~the woman REQUEST OF A PARTY~~, whether complainant **PLAINTIFF** or  
defendant, ~~decree to restore to her her~~ **THE PARTY THE PARTY'S** birth  
name, or the surname ~~she~~ **THE PARTY** legally bore ~~prior to her BEFORE~~  
**THE** marriage, ~~to the husband in the divorce action, or allow her~~

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1 **THE PARTY** to adopt another surname if the change is not sought with  
2 any fraudulent or evil intent.

3 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect  
4 unless Senate Bill No.\_\_\_\_ or House Bill No. 5766(request no.  
5 04697'11) of the 96th Legislature is enacted into law.